Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representatives Wolf or if not available Representative Morella to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through May 2.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H2242, H2283, and H2319.

Referrals: S.J. Res. 40, S.J. Res. 41, and S.J. Res. 42 were referred to the Committee on House Administration.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2241–42, H2248–49, H2258, H2281–82, H2282, H2301–02, H2317, and H2318. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H.Con.Res. 303, the House adjourned at 9:45 p.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2, 2000, for morning-hour debate.

### Committee Meetings

#### HASS AVOCADO PROMOTION, RESEARCH, AND INFORMATION ACT; ANIMAL WELFARE ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2962, Hass Avocado Promotion, Research, and Information Act; and H.R. 1275, to amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the interstate movement of live birds for the purpose of having the birds participate in animal fighting.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 2962. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs held a hearing on the Secretary of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Lawrence H. Summers, Secretary of the Treasury.

## LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the SSA and the U.S. Institute of Peace. Testimony was heard from Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, SSA; and Chester A. Crocker, Chairman, U.S. Institute of Peace.

## VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services, Special Oversight Panel on Merchant Marine approved recommendations to the committee on H.R. 4205, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation approved recommendations to the committee on H.R. 4205, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001.

## NTSB RAPIDRAFT PAYMENT SYSTEM ABUSE

Committee on the Budget: Housing and Infrastructure Task Force held a hearing on Abuse of the NTSB Rapidraft Payment System. Testimony was heard from Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; and James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board.

# U.S. ENRICHMENT CORPORATION PRIVATIZATION—IMPACT ON DOMESTIC URANIUM INDUSTRY

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing to review U.S. Enrichment Corporation privatization and its impact on the domestic uranium industry. Testimony was heard from Gary Gensler, Under Secretary, Department of the Treasury; Ernest J. Moniz, Under Secretary, Department of Energy; Carl Paperiello, Deputy Executive Director, Materials, Research, and State Programs, NRC; and public witnesses.

#### RELIGIOUS BROADCASTING FREEDOM ACT; NONCOMMERCIAL BROADCASTING FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3525, Religious Broadcasting Freedom Act; and H.R. 4201, Noncommercial Broadcasting Freedom of Expression Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from the following Commissioners of the FCC: Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth; and Gloria Tristani; and public witnesses.

#### **EDUCATION OPTIONS ACT**

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 4141, Education Opportunities To Protect and Invest In Our Nation's Students (Education OPTIONS) Act.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 4022, Russian Anti-Ship Missile Nonproliferation Act; and H.R. 3680, to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 with respect to the adjustment of composite theoretical performance levels of high performance computers.

The Committee also favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Res. 464, expressing the sense of Congress on international recognition of Israel's Magen David Adom Society and its symbol the Red Shield of David; H. Res. 449, congratulating the people of Senegal on the success of the multi-party electoral process; H.R. 4251, Congressional Oversight of Nuclear Transfers to North Korea Act; H. Con. Res. 304, Expressing the condemnation of the continued egregious violations of human rights in the Republic of Belarus, the lack of progress toward the establishment of democracy and the rule of law in Belarus, calling on President Alyaksandr Lukashenka's regime to engage in negotiations with the representatives of the opposition and to restore the constitutional rights of the Belarusian people, and calling on the Russian Federation to respect the sovereignty of Belarus; H.R. 3879, amended, Sierra Leone Peace Support Act; and H. Con. Res. 295, amended, relating to continuing human rights violations and political oppression in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam 25 years after the fall of South Vietnam to Communist forces.

#### CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN CUBA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Children's Rights in Cuba. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS OF TERRORISM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 3485, Justice for Victims of Terrorism Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **GUAM MEASURES**

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 755, Guam War Restitution Act; and H.R. 2462, Guam Omnibus Opportunities Act. Testimony was heard from Lisa Guide, Deputy As-

sistant Secretary, Policy and International Affairs, Department of the Interior; former Delegate Ben Blaz of Guam; and a public witness.

#### SHARK FINNING PROHIBITION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 3535, Shark Finning Prohibition Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Cunningham; Andrew Rosenberg, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2773, amended, Wekiva Wild and Scenic River Act; H.R. 2950, amended, Oregon Land Exchange Act of 1999; H.R. 2778, amended, Taunton River Wild and Scenic River Study Act of 1999; H.R. 3084, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contribute funds for the establishment of an interpretive center on the life and contributions of President Abraham Lincoln; H.R. 3241, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to recalculate the franchise fee owed by Fort Sumter Tours Inc., a concessioner providing service to Fort Sumter National Monument in South Carolina; and H.R. 3676, Santa Rosa and San Jacino Mountains National Monument Act of 2000.

#### WIRELESS INTERNET TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on Wireless Internet Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### OSHA'S PROPOSED ERGONOMICS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork Reduction held a hearing on OSHA's Proposed Ergonomics Standard and its Impact on Small Business. Testimony was heard from Charles N. Jeffress, Administrator, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

#### **VETERANS' LEGISLATION**

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on VA adjudication of Hepatitis C claims, and the following bills: H.R. 1020, Veterans' Hepatitis C Benefits Act; H.R. 3816, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that a stroke or heart attack that is incurred or aggravated by a member of a reserve component in the performance of duty while performing inactive duty training shall be considered to be service-connected for purposes of benefits under laws administered by

the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3998, Veterans' Special Monthly Compensation Gender Equity Act; and H.R. 4131, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stupak and Snyder; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Gary Roselle, M.D., Program Director, Infectious Diseases, Medical Center, Cincinnati; Nora Egan, Deputy Under Secretary, Management; and John McCourt, Deputy Director, Compensation and Pension Service; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

#### FUNDAMENTAL TAX REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded hearings on fundamental tax reform. Testimony was heard from Representative Portman; and public witnesses.

## MANAGING INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY PERSONNEL RESOURCES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Building Capabilities: The Challenges of Managing Intelligence Community Personnel Resources. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

#### 2001 BUDGET

Conferees on Wednesday, April 12, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H. Con. Res. 290, establishing the congressional budget for the

United States Government for fiscal year 2001, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2005.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2000 Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House Committees

Committee on Government Reform, April 20, hearing on "White House E-Mails: Mismanagement of Subpoenaed Records—Day 3", 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

#### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 17 through April 22, 2000

Senate Chamber

Senate will not be in session.

Senate Committees

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House Chamber

House will not be in session.

**House Committees** 

No Committee meetings are scheduled.